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DIRECTOR

January 15, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Acquisition
Shingleton Management Unit – Schoolcraft County
The Brown Tract
Land Transaction Case #20070299

Purchase Price: 196.2 acres – \$46,500.00

Description: Schoolcraft County, Hiawatha Township, T44N, R16W, the South $\frac{3}{4}$ of the West $\frac{1}{4}$ of fractional Section 4; and the East $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of fractional Section 5.

Seller: Michael J. Brown, Flint, Michigan

Option Expires: February 13, 2008

Property Taxes: The property taxes for 2007 were \$435.38

Authority: Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) January 28, 2008 Calendar and is eligible for approval on February 4, 2008.

Comments: The offered private parcel is located in central Schoolcraft County, approximately seven miles northeast of the Village of Steuben and 20 miles north of the City of Manistique. The property is situated among thousands of acres of State-owned land managed by the Shingleton Management Unit, as well as other public lands managed by the US Forest Service and the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

The offered 196.2-acre landlocked forest recreation parcel is completely surrounded by adjacent State-owned land. The parcel is generally wet, supporting stands of spruce and cedar.

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Acquisition of this private in-holding will consolidate ownership, eliminate three miles of property boundary, prevent fractionalization of the land-base, increase public recreational opportunities, and secure additional wildlife habitat.

The purchase will include all mineral rights owned by the seller.

Recommendation: That this tract be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund, and/or Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund, State Forest Land Consolidation Initiative, as approved in Act 59, Public Acts of 2007.

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I approve the staff recommendation.

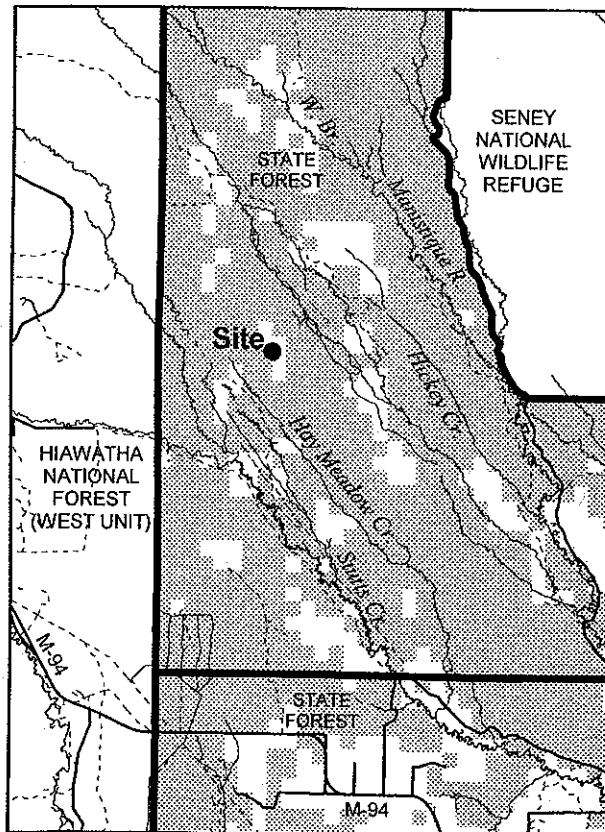
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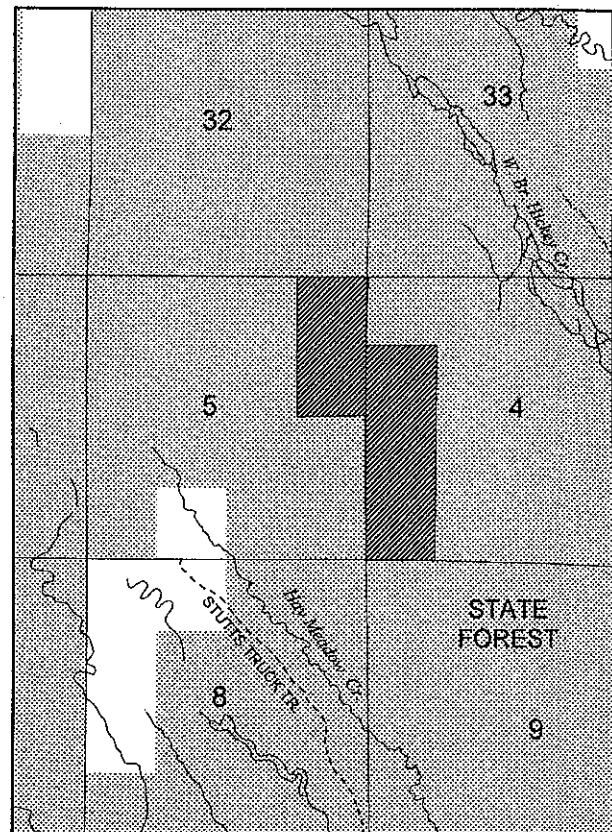
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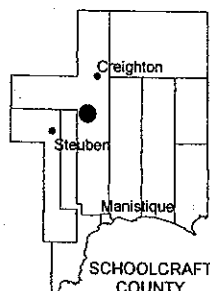


Regional Location



Sections 4 and 5, T44N, R16W,
Hiawatha Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to DNR (196.20 acres - \$46,500.00)
- State Land
- Private Land



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